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Grant County Health Department Mercury Drive

Are you saying to yourself, "I don't know what to do with these old mercury thermometers lying around the house"? If so, Grant County Health Department has just the answer for you. Grant County Health Department is going to be sponsoring a free Mercury Thermometer Collection Drive starting on Monday August 23rd, 2010 and running through Friday August 27th, 2010.

Thermometers containing mercury can be dropped off any time between 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at:

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This is a great opportunity to dispose of mercury thermometers. Mercury in liquid or vapor form can be hazardous to humans and the environment. Exposure to mercury may result in memory loss, muscle weakness, headaches, slow reflexes, kidney failure, tremors, and even death. Newer mercury free digital thermometers are a much safer choice especially when checking children for fevers.

Mercury is a dangerous substance that needs to be disposed of properly. Please use this opportunity to protect yourself and the environment.

If you have any further questions, please call Troy at Grant County Health Department, (608) 723-6416.

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